

Town of Oconto Falls
Ordinance Number 12-2022

An Ordinance Dealing with Fire Numbers, Fire Protection and Fire Code Violations

Section 1

All property owners will be responsible to place or replace their fire numbers. They will also be responsible to keep the area clear of vegetation and obstructions that would decrease fire number visibility.

Section 2

Pursuant to Section 60.55(1) of Wisconsin Statutes, the Town of Oconto Falls, Oconto County shall provide fire protection for the town.

Pursuant to Section 60.55(2)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes, the Town of Oconto Falls, Oconto County shall levy taxes on the entire town to pay for fire protection.

Pursuant to Section 60.55(2)(b) of Wisconsin Statutes, property owners of real estate within the Town of Oconto Falls shall be responsible for the cost of fire calls made to their property.

After the town receives the fire call invoice from the contracted fire protection entity, the Town Clerk will in turn bill the property owner for the invoiced amount. The invoice should be paid to the Town Clerk within 60 days of the date of the bill. The failure to pay the bill within 60 days will result in interest being charged at the rate of 1 ½% per month from the date of the bill. Those bills remaining outstanding, including interest, for more than 90 days as of November 1 of any year shall become a lien against the real estate from which fire protection was provided and shall be placed on the tax roll as a delinquent special charge pursuant to Section 66.60 of Wisconsin Statutes.

Section 3

Pursuant to Section 60.555 of Wisconsin Statutes, the Town of Oconto Falls, Oconto County, will conduct commercial fire inspections every 6 months or as deemed necessary by the fire inspector. If violations are identified by the fire inspector a written warning will be issued. If the violation is not corrected by the second inspection for the same violation, there will be a fee of \$40 assessed. If the violation is not corrected by the 3rd inspection, a fee of \$80 will be assessed. The fees will double with each inspection that the violation is not corrected. If not paid by November 1 of any year, it shall become a lien against the real estate where the violation is located and shall be placed on the tax roll as a delinquent special charge pursuant to Section 66.60 of Wisconsin Statutes.

Adopted this 10th day of October, 2022.
Susan L Mogged, clerk